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www.marchamundial.org

Read the Declaration of World without Wars at:
www.mundosinguerras.es/docus/63

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THE WORLD MARCH FOR PEACE AND NON-VIOLENCE

from October 2, 2009 until January 2, 2010



It is certain that a terrible inequality exists between the material forces that declare the necessity of war and the moral forces that defend the right to peace, but it is also certain that down through History, only human will has made it possible to defeat the will of others. We don't have to face transcendental forces,

but only other men, only other men. Therefore it is a matter of making the will to peace stronger than the will to war. It's a matter of participating in the general mobilization of the struggle for peace: it is the life of Humanity that we are defending, this life of today and the life of tomorrow, which may be lost if we do not defend it right now. Humanity is not a rhetorical abstraction, it is suffering flesh and a yearning spirit, and it is also inexhaustible hope. Peace is possible if we mobilize ourselves to attain it. In people's awareness and in the streets.

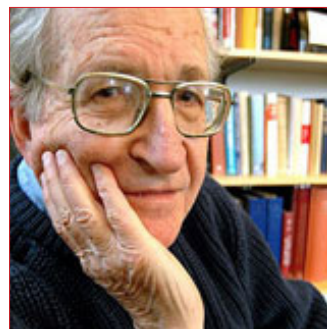
José Saramago
Nobel Prize for Literature

Informative bulletin 02 NOV 2008 http://docs.google.com/Doc?id=dfzd6365_257d4zj5jhf

Informative bulletin 01 OCT 2008 http://docs.google.com/Doc?id=ajc6vpgccg4q_150hg85b9c8

Who is supporting the World March?

See inside for details of the latest individuals and organisations to endorse the march.



SUPPORTERS

Until today November 4 the World March for Peace and Non-Violence counts with the following support registered via the web page:

Individuals supporting the World March

1770

From: Germany, Algeria, Argentina, Austria, Bangladesh, Belgium, Benin, Bolivia, Brazil, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Canada, Chile, Colombia, Costa of Ivory, Costa Rica, Cuba, Denmark, Ecuador, El Salvador, Spain, France, Great Britain, Greece, Guatemala, Guinea Bissau, Guinea Conakry, Haiti, Holland, Honduras, Hungary, India, Iceland, Israel, Italy, Luxemburg, Mali, Morocco, Mauritania, Mexico, Mozambique, New Zealand, Paraguay, Peru, Poland, Portugal, Czech Republic, Dominican Republic, Russia, Senegal, Sweden, Switzerland, Uruguay, USA and Venezuela.

In this second bulletin, we highlight the following:

• Daniel Berrigan (USA)



“Count me IN on this admirable and daring Worldwide March. It heartens in a dark time.”

Jesuit priest, poet, educator, social activist,

playwright and lifelong resister to what he calls “American military imperialism.”

He helped launch the international anti-nuclear Plowshares movement .

He participated of the US Civil rights movement in nonviolent protest for over 40 years, against the American intervention in Central America, the 1991 Gulf War, the U.S. invasion of Afghanistan, and the 2003 invasion of Iraq.

Amparo Sanchez Rosell (Spain)



President of the Valencia Islamic Cultural Center. “Important” Award from the Levante Periodical EMV, for being the first woman to preside over a Muslim religious organization. “Ambassador of Peace” Diploma awarded by the International Interreligious Federation for World Peace (FIIPM). Cofounder of the Muslim Women’s Association (ANNUR). Cofounder of the Superior Islamic Council of the Valencian Community (CISCOVA).

“This March is a necessary and excellent opportunity for individuals and organizations of good will to come together as sisters and brothers, to unite our efforts toward a laudable common goal: manifesting our rejection of all kinds of violence, which expresses itself at its most extreme as war

*of all kinds, reclaiming peaceful means to resolve conflicts. Despite my age I have never stopped dreaming, and I dream of a multitudinous March where all, regardless of belief, ideology, ethnicity, gender, color, etc., journey the world united physically and spiritually in favor of love, solidarity, mercy, Peace and Nonviolence.”***Cherifa Ben Hassine (Tunisia)**



Arabian philologist. Professor with the University of Valencia’s Department of the Three Religions and Arabic instructor at the Imán Xatívi al Amal madrasa. Member of the Superior Islamic Council of the Valencian Community and the Valencia Islamic Cultural Center (CCIV). President of the Muslim Women’s Association (ANNUR). Member of the Interreligious Women’s Association (SOPHIA).

• Miguel Rios (Spain)



“Initiatives like this are what humanity needs to be able to achieve social justice and development.”

Gold Medal from the City of Granada (1987), Wave

Award for Radio and Television (1987-1993), Gold Medal of Merit in the Fine Arts (1993), Gold Medal of Merit in Work (1999), Honor Award from the Academy of Musical Arts and Sciences (2003), Medal of Honor from the Rodriguez-Acosta Foundation (2003), Best Rock Album from the Academy of Music (2005), Wave Award: Special Award (2006). Together with Ana Belen, Victor Manuel and Joan Manuel Serrat made the spectacular tour “The Pleasure is Ours” (1996-1997).

• Noam Chomsky (USA)



“The World March for Peace and Non-Violence is a wonderful idea, a fitting commemoration of Gandhi’s legacy on the centenary of his birth. It could hardly be more timely, and should serve as an inspiration to those who seek to fulfill the noble ideals that Gandhi’s life and work symbolized in ways that are rarely approached”.

• Vittorio Agnoletto (Italy)

Euro-deputy. Doctor in several faculties, in 1987 was one of the founders of Italian League for the Fight against AIDS and was its national president between 1992 and 2001.

In 2001 he was the spokesperson of Genoa Social Forum during the

G8 meeting in Genoa.

In 2004 he was elected to the European Parliament, where he is a member of the Foreign Affairs Commission, of the International Trade Commission and of the Human Rights Sub-commission. **Giusto Catania (Italy)**

Euro-deputy. Culture committee chairman at the commune of Palermo (Sicily) and member of the European Parliament since 2004. In this role he takes care especially of justice, civil rights. Immigration, political asylum, drug, public liberties and citizenship and fight against terrorism and organized crime.

www.giustocatania.it

• **Umberto Guidoni (Italy)**

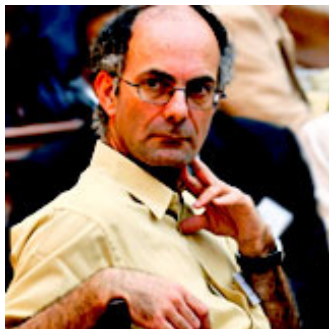


Scientist, astronaut and euro-deputy. In 1994 he made his first space flight on the shuttle Colombia. In 2001 he realized a second mission on the Endeavour and became the first European astronaut to visit the International Space Station.

Elected in the European Parliament in 2004, he takes care mostly of research, energy, climatic changes and environment.

www.umbertoguidoni.eu

• **Yehuda Stolov, (Israel)**



President and founder of IEA (Inter-faith Encounter Association. 2001) which is dedicated to building peace through interfaith dialogue. Elected by the Nominating Committee of the Immortal Chaplains Foundation (www.immortalchaplains.org) to receive the 2006 Humanities Prize. He is recognized for his work in building bridges between the Palestinians and the Israelis.

<http://www.interfaith-encounter.org>

• **Michael Lerner (USA)**



Revolutionary politician, humanitarian, political activist, spiritual mentor, psychologist, and editor of Tikkun, a progressive interfaith Jewish magazine based in Berkeley, California, rabbi of the Beyt Tikkun synagogue in San Francisco.

In 2005 he founded the Spiritual Progressives Network conjointly with Professor Cornel West and Benedictine sister Joan Chittister. The Network has several thousand members, many of them members of the clergy in

the US and Canada.

Lerner is often labeled "very controversial," especially for his viewpoint on building peace between Israelis and Palestinians.

Lerner calls for the spiritual transformation of American society, first in Tikkun and then in his book *The Politics of Meaning*. He develops these ideas in his books *Spirit Matters* (2000) and *The Left Hand of God* (2006).

<http://www.spiritualprogressives.org/>
<http://www.tikkun.org/>

• **Marcela Osorio, Actress**



"How to explain why I am joining the march for peace? I think every one of you has an imagination that surpasses any words I might poorly express. Kisses and see you all marching for peace."

Marcela Osorio is an actress with a distinguished career in film, television and theatre. Many Chilean films from the end of the 1980's had Marcela as the leading lady. Sussi was the first of these, a movie that later served as the basis for a television series.

Filmography: *Fiesta Patria* (2007), *Amnesia* (1994), *La Niña en la Palomera* ("The Girl in the Dovecote," 1991) *Ardiente Paciencia* ("Ardent Patience," 1983)

• **René Bobe**

Biological Anthropologist, expert in the relationship between climate change and evolutionary processes. Assistant Professor Ph.D.

Anthropology, University of Washington, 1997 Currently Professor of Anthropology at the University of Georgia

Researcher in the environmental and ecological context of human evolution in Africa. Specializes in the study of fossil mammals that provide a long-term record of environmental change. Currently has field projects in Kenya (Turkana Basin) and in Ethiopia (Afar region). Also conducting parallel fieldwork in the Chilean Andes to study the evolution of primates and other South American mammals. Discoverer of hominids 3.3 and 1.5 million years old in Africa.

<http://www.anthro.uga.edu/people/rbobe.html>

• **Ashin Sopaka (Burma, 1977)**



Buddhist monk and creator of the Movements for Peace and Freedom in Burma. "Peace inside is peace outside." Awarded the International Freedom Prize in 2008 by the Society of Liberty in Italy.

Has led broad marches for world peace and peace in Burma in several cities. Founder of The Best Friend movement (1999), which seeks to build unity

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News:

28 SEPT to 31 OCT 2008

23 October 2008

PAUDALHO CITY - PERNAMBUCO, BRASIL:

More than two thousand people arrived to the pre-launching of the WM



The city of Paudalho, a historical and cultural city: cradle of dancing (buey, maracatu, frevo, Negro, ballet), cradle of religiosity with its houses of miracles, a city immersed in a violent politics under the power of Colonels, has received the Pre-launching of the Worldwide March with a meeting with the participation of 2.300 persons between 7 and 89 years old.

They made a march to the principal streets from the entrance of the city to the Beira Rio Park, where there

were speeches about the World March and there where present cultural representatives. All along the route neighbors left their houses and shops to join the march.

This meeting brought together for the first time 103 institutions, among them NGO's, mayors, schools and the general population; it opened a space for participation to communities that will join in a meeting next year. The schools promised to work with the topic of non-violence and the march during 2009. The event was broadcast live through the Radio Paudalho FM and there where articles in the commercial diary and the local newspaper.

3. October 2008

AREQUIPA, PERÚ:

Meeting of the promotion team of the WM

The company Intime Lingerie will make a fashion parade of peace and non-violence in the institutional presentation of the WM in Arequipa on the 28th November in the Museum of Contemporary Art. This event, that is also organized by World Without Wars and the Peruvian, North American Centre of Cultures expects to receive 500 persons, partners from the cultural side, members of the local government, representatives from the principal universities, etc. The number of auspicious companies has grown and we stand out the importance to invite as much personalities as possible to participate in the march. To open up a central local of the World March in Arequipa we are counting with a new model of collaboration: "Friends of World Without Wars", we are also doing the legal part that is necessary to get donations under the best legal conditions. The spokespersons of New Generations, Art and Culture and Institutional Relations where fixed, they will coordinate the commissions that are formed to make contact to the different media.

5 October 2008

MANANTIALES PARK, CHILE:

Children's Concert for Peace.



Children from the Suzuki music school participate in the World March for Peace and Non-Violence and realize a concert in Manantiales Park.

See Video: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QWDxUGMWPfG>

October 7, 2008

SANTIAGO, CHILE:

Coordination of Official Launch of the World March at Punta de Vacas



Team coordinators from the promotional team and World Without Wars coordinated the official launch of the World March at Punta de Vacas, as well as the launch that will take place in Chile.

The official launch of the World March will take place November 15 at 7:30pm at Punta de Vacas Park, in the Plaza of the Steles, after the closing of the Symposium. There will be a stage and fireworks, and the communications media will be convened through personal contacts who will take charge of organizing their travel and lodging. On November 9 Chile will launch the World March with a "march" via different communications media, with the idea of spreading the word and increasing awareness of Nonviolence through different television and radio programs as well as the print media.

Dossier: October 2, 2008

365 Days before the March begins in Wellington:

More than 100 cities around the world celebrate the International Day of Nonviolence.

- It will be on October 2, 2009 - Gandhi's birthday, declared by the United Nations the International Day of Nonviolence - that the World March begins its journey through more than 90 countries toward its destination at foot of Mt. Aconcagua in the Andes Mountains, where it will arrive in January 2010.
- October 2, 2008 became an international moment of support for the World March on its first pre-anniversary, with a multitude of actions for Peace and Nonviolence being celebrated in over 100 cities on the five continents.

Videos and images of the worldwide celebration of the International Day of Nonviolence:

<http://www.worldmarch.info/en/iniciativas/october-2-photo-gallery>

September 25-October 2, 2008

MENDOZA, ARGENTINA:

Toward a New Educational Movement



A documentary on Nonviolence and peaceful co-existence, made in the schools of Mendoza, will be produced. The documentary includes: interviews, information, meetings and activities – such as going door to door delivering messages of Peace and nonviolence – that took place during the Week of Peace and Nonviolence that ended October 2 with the simultaneous formation of peace symbols by 10 schools in the rotunda.

September 27, 2008

PAYATAS, PHILIPPINES

Music, Dance and Theatre: Celebrating “International Day of Nonviolence”



A human peace symbol was created with candles and a vocal declaration in unison for peace. A musical group of young people marching around the neighbourhood started off the colourful and spontaneous program that included music, dance and theatre. Representatives from the government spoke on “Walang Karahasan” - nonviolence - and there was a poster explaining the World March.

October 2nd, 2008

Ghana

Press conference appealing for Non-Violence during the next elections.



Members of Humanist Movement have been pressing the population not to give any opportunity to Violence, ignoring the government purposes, the industrial groups and the “lobbies” that propose war as a solution for the social, politic, economic and religious difficulties. They encourage to face the elections on December 7th, with non-violence and to create an electoral commission as a guarantee of freedom and transparency.

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October 2nd, 2008

Budapest - Hungary

7.000 people celebrate international day of Non-Violence

More than 7.000 people went to the assembly of the “Alliance against Violence” a platform formed by hundreds of civil organizations against violence and discrimination, conflicts quite presents in Hungary since the attack in July to the party of Gay Pride and the intensification exercised by the extreme right.

During this celebration where the First Minister was present, five political party presidents have adhered to the World March and a lot of contacts with personalities have been made.

Vídeo: <http://eroszakmentessegnapja.hu/>

September 28th 2008

Lima – Peru

Meeting Peruvian Promotion team

Teams from Huancayo, Lima and Arequipa attended. The interest was to form a national web for the World March and be added to the adhesions campaign starting with notable Peruvians with international, national and local profile from the artistic, cultural, political, religious and sporting worlds. It has been agreed to have launches of the WM by city in Peru and to have a national presentation on March 2009.

September 28th 2008

International World March Promotion Team

Second virtual meeting

36 people from 26 countries celebrated the second meeting of the international promotion team for the world march where they fixed the dates for the principal itinerary for this great march. The number of the convergent routes for the WM where a lot of activities will be produce for Peace and Non Violence are increasing. The Base Team that will made the complete march itinerary will be formed in January and at least one member from this team will travel through each local route. They were treated organization topics agreeing that the promoter teams in each country will maximize the preparations for the traveler receptions attending to logistics, legals and own practices on each place. They congratulate the function made in the web which will count with new language versions. The translation team will be increase facilitating an ample march diffusion. They continue with the diffusions campaign.

September 2008

Senegal with the World March

This blog will collect and inform about all initiatives and activities that be organized for the travel though of the March in Senegal.

Web: <http://marche-mondiale-senegal.blogspot.com>

Press Releases from World Without Wars

19.07.08

Creative Week of the World March for Peace and Non-Violence.

<http://marxamundial.blogspot.com/2008/07/comunicado-accto-del-domingp.html>

21.07.08

Barcelona: first commemorative of the World March for Peace and Non-Violence.

<http://www.mundosinguerras.es/notinac/91-marcha0107.08.08>

Hiroshima - Nagasaki: 63 years demanding World Peace.

<http://www.mundosinguerras.es/notinac/93-nota-prensa-msg-8-8-08-hiroshima-nagasaki-63-anos-reclamando-la-paz-mundial>

14.08.08

Russia- Georgia: War is a bad business.

<http://www.mundosinguerras.es/notinac/94-rusia-georgia-la-guerra-es-un-mal-negocio-nota-de-prensa-msg-14agosto08>

12.09.08

First forum for nuclear disarmament in Malaga.

<http://www.mundosinguerras.es/notinac/96-primerforo>

15.09.08

Support for non-violence in Bolivia.

<http://www.mundosinguerras.es/notiinter/97-comuintmsg>

16.09.08

United to support Peace and Democracy in Bolivia.

<http://www.mundosinguerras.es/notiinter/98-uniboliv>

19.08.08

Report of WWW about the South Caucaso crisis.

<http://www.mundosinguerras.es/notiinter/95-informe-msg-crisis-en-el-caucaso-sur>

19.09.08

Support for the World March for Peace and Non-

Violence

<http://www.mundosinguerras.es/notiinter/101-apoyo-a-la-marcha-mundial-por-la-paz-y-la-noviolenca>

19.09.08

Humanists for disarmament: No to the Radar-Shield! (video)

<http://www.mundosinguerras.es/notiinter/100-qno-al-escudo-estelar-humanistas-x-el-desarmeq>

Published articles

Newspaper Metro (Barcelona)

Barcelona celebrates a march in order to support the World March for Peace that will start in 2009.

<http://www.diariometro.es/es/article/efe/2008/07/21/613041/index.xml>

ANIA Agency for alternative news and information.

Creative week for the World March for Peace and Non-Violence

<http://ania.urcm.net/noticia.php3?id=25437&idcat=1&idamb=2>

Indymedia (sent by Daniel Barros)

World March for Peace and Non-Violence

<http://publish.indymedia.org/es/2008/07/910268.shtml>

Otro, Madrid (sent by Daniel Barros)

World March for Peace and Non-Violence

<http://www.otromadrid.org/articulo/5959/marcha-mundial/>

Bottup (sent by Victoria Barceló)

New Zealand will be the starting point for the World March for Peace and Non-Violence

http://www.bottup.com/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=3618&Itemid=114

La Opiñón (Araucanía, Chile)

March for Peace and Non-Violence

<http://www.laopinon.cl/admin/render/noticia/15980>

AmbienteWeb [Pressenza.org]

March for Peace and Non-Violence in Barcelona.

International Conference in Prague.

www.ambienteweb.org/

<http://www.ambienteweb.org/modules.php?name=News&file=article&sid=5219>

New Zealand in the net

New Zealand inaugurates a March for Peace and Non-Violence.

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The World March in numbers

500

estimated number of co-organizing institutions.

100

governments and political representatives visited.

25

Spiritual centres visited.

6

continents.

90

countries.

160,000

kms travelled.

90

days.

40

train journeys.

100

journeys by land.

14

air trips.

25

journeys by water.

4

seasons.

5,000

meters of altitude.

160

border crossings.



Organisations supporting the World March from different countries of the world

60

the latest ones include the following:

• Holy Land Trust NGO (Palestine)

Working since 1998 to develop nonviolent community actions that point toward the end of the Israeli occupation and the construction of a future based on the principles of nonviolence, equality, justice, and peaceful coexistence. <http://www.holylandtrust.org/>

• University of Valencia (Spain) Department of the Three Religions

Dedicated to the research, teaching and diffusion of the social and cultural function of the three great monotheistic religions of the Mediterranean, Islam, Judaism and Christianity. Articulated through an agreement between the University of Valencia with the Federation of Israeli Communities and the Union of Islamic Communities, both with seats in Spain, and the Father Congar Ecumenical Center, attached to the Dominican order.

• Grandmothers of the Plaza de Mayo



"We, Grandmothers of the Plaza de Mayo, adhere to the World March for Peace and Non-Violence. We wish it all the success that such an important proposal deserves in this moment when the economic interests of the powerful, either out of indifference or out of excessive ambition, are disregarding the suffering of millions of excluded, abandoned and hungry people all over the world. For the obvious injustice that governments are always ready to come to the aid of troubled banks without the same concern for those whose lives are at stake with real and tragic problems. That is the worse violence that one can suffer and the main cause of wars and the lack of peace and justice."

Grandmothers of the Plaza de Mayo Civil Association is an Argentine human rights organization whose mission is to locate and reunite with their legitimate families all the children kidnapped-disappeared by the last military dictatorship (1976-1983), to create the conditions to prevent the recurrence of that crime against humanity, and to obtain the corresponding punishment for all of those who were responsible.

It is presided over by Wake Barnes de Carlotto and has its headquarters in Buenos Aires.

Grandmothers of the Plaza de Mayo was nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize on May 12, 2008.

• **Chilean Red Cross**



“The Chilean Red Cross will support the World March initiatives; the endorsement has been approved and so we will be able to work together.”

Mariela Rabanal Carrasco – National Director of Health and Social Well-Being – Chilean Red Cross

<http://www.cruzroja.cl/>

www.icrc.org/Web/eng/siteeng0.nsf/htmlall/chile

• **AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL (Chile)**



“We will support the World March by spreading the word through our website and to our members.”

Amnesty International (AI) is a humanitarian nongovernmental organization (NGO) that exists to promote human rights according to the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and other international treaties. Founded in 1961 by British lawyer Peter Benenson. After reading an article in the British newspaper The Observer about two Portuguese students imprisoned for having drunk a toast to freedom in a café, he published an article in the same paper entitled “The Forgotten Prisoners,” calling on readers to launch a letter-writing campaign in support of several individuals who were imprisoned for reasons of conscience around the world. His article was translated and published in other newspapers around the world.

www.amnesty.org/

en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Amnesty_International

City Mayors:

4 from the cities

- Amilcar Rivera de Mixto (Guatemala),
- the mayor from Peñalolén in Santiago (Chile),
- the mayor from Paucarpata in Arequipa (Perú) and
- the mayor from Provincial de Trujillo (Perú).

Universities:

- University of Mariano Gálvez in Quetzaltenango (Guatemala)



- University Friday D’izidro Bendito in Maputo (Mozambique)
- University Cooperation Minuto de Dios in Bogotá (Colombia)

INITIATIVES...

Congratulations from OPANAL

Organization for the Proscription of Nuclear Weapons in Latin America and the Caribbean

I am pleased to express my most sincere congratulations for the initiative of carrying out a World March for Peace and Non-violence, launched by the international organization World without Wars. We support this initiative and we share its objectives. As you know, Latin America and the Caribbean have a long and fruitful record as regards nuclear disarmament and their support fro international rights they are well-known. (...)

From a letter by **Perla Carvalho** Ambassador and General Secretary of OPANAL, Mexico DF,

to Pia Figueroa, of the team of International Relations of the WM, September 9 2008.

Get the complete text from: medios@mundosinguerras.org

Concert for Peace and Nonviolence

December 30, 2009, O’Higgins Park, Santiago de Chile

A music concert for more than 80,000 people will be held, bringing together some of the greatest international voices in pop music. The purpose of this event is to invite all those attending to march to Punta de Vacas, Argentina, where the World March will conclude on January 2, 2010.

Humanist Cyclists for Nonviolence



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through education. Many teachers work for The Best Friend as volunteers, so that students can learn free of charge.

When he was twelve years old the Burmese military government closed all the schools. At age 13 he entered the KabarAye (peace) Buddhist monastery. After his studies he traveled through Burma, Thailand, Singapore, Malaysia, Laos and Japan.

"We are completely convinced that education is the only way to eradicate the poverty of humanity."

Since 2003 Ashin Sopaka has lived in exile in Cologne, Germany.

<http://www.ashin-sopaka.online.de/>

• **Ambassador Perla Carvalho (OPANAL)**



Assistant Secretary-General of the Agency for the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in Latin America and the Caribbean (OPANAL) since January 1, 2008.

Mexican career diplomat. In the Department of Foreign Affairs she held the posts of Department Chief for America (1973-1978); Assistant Director of the United Nations Specialized Organizations (1980-1981); and General Director for the System of United Nations (1996-1998). Overseas, she has held posts at the Mexican

Embassies of Yugoslavia, United Kingdom, Belgium and Portugal.

Alternative Representative at the Disarmament Conference (1989-1996), member of the United Nations Group of Experts on Verification and participated in various international meetings regarding disarmament, in particular conferences of examination of the Treaty of Non Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons.

Alternative Ambassador to International Organizations with headquarters on Geneva (1999-2001) and member of the U.N. Secretary-General Consulting Body on Disarmament (2003-2006).

Diplomatic Advisor to the President of Mexico (2002-2003); Mexican Ambassador to Uruguay and Permanent Representative at the Latin American Integration Association (2004-2007)

http://scm.oas.org/doc_public/SPANISH/HIST_08/CP19530T04.doc

• **Ben Heine.**



Belgian caricaturist and journalist, graduate of the Institute of Higher Studies in Social Communications (L'Institut des Hautes Etudes des Communications Sociales - IHECS). Lives in Brussels, no world event or personality escapes his eye. At only 25 he has already demonstrated enormous skill in his particular

political struggle against Zionism in defense of the Palestinian cause.

The Belgian artist-activist makes a powerful critical statement through his caricatures and illustrations. His work protesting imperialism and other violations of human rights has followers all around the world. Artists in at least a dozen countries have recreated his caricatures.

Heine's work, especially in relation to the crisis in Gaza, has been spread by thousands of bloggers on Daily Kos because of its pro-Palestine orientation.

He works independently and also for a number of Belgian magazines such as Le Monde Diplomatique as well as for other international publications.

<http://www.benheine.com/>

• **Elias Figueroa**

Well known as one of the best defenses in the history of world soccer and the best Chilean soccer player of all time. Historic player for clubs such as the Santiago Wanderers of Valparaiso, his home town; Peñarol in Uruguay; the Brazilian International; and the Chilean national team for which he played three World Championships: England 66, Germany 74, and Spain 82.

Titles: Recognized as best South American soccer player of the year on three consecutive occasions -1974, 1975, and 1976 - by the El Mundo newspaper, and as best Chilean soccer player of all time according to the University of the Americas and the Chilean Soccer History and Statistics Institute (Instituto de Historia y Estadística del Fútbol Chileno - IHE), as well as receiving other

international awards.

Currently President of FutbolMasters, Businessman, National Sports Director at the University of Santo Tomas. Sports Assessor for Municipalities and Businesses.

<http://eliasfigueroa.com/>

• **Giulietto Chiesa**



Italian member of the European Parliament. Journalist. Member of the European parliament for North-West Cooperation.

Journalist since 1979. Many years of political experience, initially as a university activist in Genoa; then at a nationwide level first as Vice-president of the Italian Goliardia and later as national director of the Federation of the Communist Youth; and finally as director of the Genovese Federation of the Italian Communist Party from 1970-1979. Member of the Provincial Council of Genoa of the ICP from 1975 to 1979. Moscow correspondent for L'Unita newspaper.

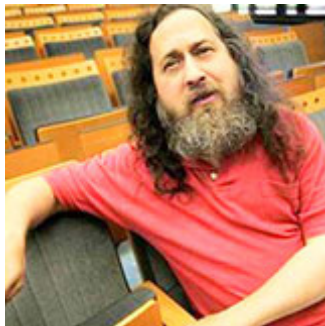
During these last few years he has been involved in the study of globalization and, in particular, of the effects of the media on the world system.

In 2007, after the creation of the Democratic Left, he joined the European Parliament as a member

of PSE, together with Claudio Faca, Pasqualina Napoletano, Giovanni Berlinguer and Achille Occhetto.

In October 2007 the International Film Festival of Rome presented the documentary film "Zero, inchiesta sull'11 settembre" (Zero, an enquiry on September 11) prepared by a work group sponsored by Giulietto Chiesa. The film was released to the public at the beginning of 2008.

• **Richard Stallman (USA, 1953)**



Programmer and most relevant figure in the worldwide Free Software Movement.

"When businesses have special influence on politics it means that the democracy is sick. The purpose of democracy is to make sure that the rich do not have influence proportional to their wealth. And if those who have more have more influence than I do, that means that the democracy is dying. Laws created this way have no moral authority, but only the capacity to do harm."

In 1983 he announced the project to develop the first free operating system, the GNU, and he has been the project's leader ever since. With that announcement Stallman also launched the Free Software Movement. In October 1985 he started the Free Software

Foundation. From the union of this project with the nucleus Linux, written by Linus Thorvalds, GNU/Linux was born, forming the current operating system that is installed on millions of computers around the world.

Stallman pioneered the concept of copyleft, a software-licensing system that keeps the software free, with its use and modification always reverting back to the community. In 1999 he launched the project of a free encyclopedia, an idea that others finally brought into being with the current Wikipedia. He gives many conferences around the world on free software and related political issues.

GNU Project:
www.gnu.org

Personal home page:
www.stallman.org

• **Pedro Duque**



"We all live on a little piece of rock that can be circled in ninety minutes. There's no longer any meaning in defending the tribe or the nation, and much less religion, at the expense of anything including immoral acts such as war. Humanity is one".

Astronaut, aeronautics Engineer (Madrid, 1963). First Spanish-born astronaut. Recipient of Prince of Asturias Award for International Cooperation, together with fellow astronauts

Chiaki Mkai, John Glenn and Valery Polyakov, for having been considered instrumental in international cooperation for the peaceful exploration of space.

Received the "Order of Friendship" conferred by the President of the Russian Federation Boris Yeltsin, and the Great Cross for Aeronautic Merit awarded by King Juan Carlos I of Spain.

In 2006 he was named general director of Deimos Imaging, an enterprise located at the Parque Tecnológico de Boecillo (Valladolid), where he is currently working on creating a satellite that will allow improved use of soil particularly for cultivation, detection and control of forest fires, as well as for forest health.

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pedro_Duque

• **John Pasche**

Well known Art and Creative Director. Designer of the famous Rolling Stones logo.

Developed a career in advertising (Benton & Bowles Agency), also as an independent graphic designer, 13 years as Art/Creative Director for United Artist (Music Division) and Chrysalis Records Ltd. Has also worked for 12 years as Creative Director for the South Central Bank and as a professor at the Royal College of Art. 1967. Graduates in Graphic Design at the Brighton College of Art. 1970. Master's degree, London Royal College of Art.

His designs have appeared on the most recognized Pop covers: Go West, Sinead O'Connor, Steeleye Span, OVNI, Jethro Tull,

The Stranglers, Fischer-Z, Dr. Feelgood, The Vapors and many more. Recipient of many international awards.

www.johnpasche.com

• **Maher al Sabbah (The Netherlands, of Syrian origin)**

"This march is a highly civilised action of those seeking happiness and trying to convert dreams of peace into reality"

Producer and director of independent films. He documents political and social subjects with the intention of building bridges between different cultures.

<http://www.thearabiandream.com/>

• **Alfredo Jalife-Rahme (México)**



Writer, journalist, professor, analyst, commentator for several media (Spanish CNN). Specialist in international affairs and globalization.

Born in Mexico. Graduate professor in the School of Accounting and Administration, as well as the School of Political Science at the UNAM (National Autonomous University of Mexico), arbitrator at the UNAM Institute of Economic Research. Columnist for La Jornada and El Financiero newspapers, commentator on Proyecto 40 (television), PCTV Cable and Spanish CNN.

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